

Table 2. PROFILE OF SELECTED SOCIAL CHARACTERISTICS: 1998

Geographic area: United States (1990 data shown for illustrative purposes)

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(Data based on a sample. See text for definitions of terms and information on sampling variability)

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT			NATIVITY AND PLACE OF BIRTH		
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school.....	64,987,101	100.0	Total population.....	248,709,873	100.0
Nursery school, preschool.....	(NA)	(NA)	Native.....	228,942,557	92.1
Kindergarten.....	(NA)	(NA)	Born in United States.....	225,695,826	90.7
Elementary school (grade 1-8).....	(NA)	(NA)	State of residence.....	153,684,685	61.8
High school (grade 9-12).....	(NA)	(NA)	Different state.....	72,011,141	29.0
College.....	17,917,028	27.6	Born abroad.....	3,246,731	1.3
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT			Foreign born.....	19,767,316	7.9
Population 25 years and over.....	158,868,436	100.0	Entered 1990 to 1998.....	(NA)	(NA)
Less than 9th grade.....	16,502,211	10.4	Entered before 1990.....	(NA)	(NA)
9th to 12th grade, no diploma.....	22,841,507	14.4	Naturalized citizen.....	7,996,998	3.2
High school graduate (includes equivalency).....	47,642,763	30.0	Not a citizen.....	11,770,318	4.7
Some college, no degree.....	29,779,777	18.7	REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN		
Associate degree.....	9,791,925	6.2	Foreign-born population with region of birth reported.....	18,959,158	100.0
Bachelor's degree.....	20,832,567	13.1	Europe.....	4,350,403	22.9
Graduate or professional degree.....	11,477,686	7.2	Asia.....	4,979,037	26.3
Percent high school graduate or higher.....	75.2	(X)	Africa.....	363,819	1.9
Percent bachelor's degree or higher.....	20.3	(X)	Oceania.....	104,145	0.5
MARITAL STATUS			Latin America.....	8,407,837	44.3
Males 15 years and over.....	93,817,315	100.0	Northern America.....	753,917	4.0
Never married.....	28,804,618	30.7	LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME		
Now married, except separated.....	53,781,245	57.3	Population 5 years and over.....	230,445,777	100.0
Separated.....	1,896,397	2.0	English only.....	198,600,798	86.2
Widowed.....	2,377,589	2.5	Language other than English.....	31,844,979	13.8
Divorced.....	6,957,466	7.4	Speak English less than "very well".....	13,982,502	6.1
Females 15 years and over.....	101,324,687	100.0	Spanish.....	17,345,064	7.5
Never married.....	23,755,235	23.4	Speak English less than "very well".....	8,309,995	3.6
Now married, except separated.....	53,144,096	52.4	Other Indo-European language.....	8,790,133	3.8
Separated.....	2,676,840	2.6	Speak English less than "very well".....	2,844,409	1.2
Widowed.....	12,121,939	12.0	Asian and Pacific Islander languages.....	4,471,621	1.9
Divorced.....	9,626,577	9.5	Speak English less than "very well".....	2,420,355	1.1
VETERAN STATUS			ANCESTRY		
Civilian population 18 years and over.....	183,396,513	100.0	Total population.....	248,709,873	100.0
Civilian veterans.....	27,481,055	15.0	Arab.....	870,738	0.4
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION			Czech.....	1,615,477	0.6
Population 5 to 20 years.....	56,768,944	100.0	Danish.....	1,634,669	0.7
With a disability.....	(NA)	(NA)	Dutch.....	6,227,089	2.5
Population 21 to 64 years.....	140,692,497	100.0	English.....	32,655,779	13.1
With a disability.....	(NA)	(NA)	French (except Basque).....	10,337,400	4.2
Percent employed.....	(NA)	(X)	French Canadian.....	2,835,398	1.1
No disability.....	(NA)	(NA)	German.....	57,985,595	23.3
Percent employed.....	(NA)	(X)	Greek.....	1,110,373	0.4
Population 65 years and over.....	29,565,769	100.0	Hungarian.....	1,582,302	0.6
With a disability.....	5,943,441	20.1	Irish.....	38,769,200	15.6
RESIDENCE 5 YEARS AGO			Italian.....	14,714,939	5.9
Population 5 years and over.....	230,445,777	100.0	Lithuanian.....	811,865	0.3
Same house.....	122,796,970	53.3	Norwegian.....	3,869,395	1.6
Different house in the U.S.....	102,540,097	44.5	Polish.....	9,366,106	3.8
Same county.....	58,675,635	25.5	Portuguese.....	1,153,351	0.5
Different county.....	43,864,462	19.0	Russian.....	2,951,373	1.2
Same state.....	22,279,165	9.7	Scotch-Irish.....	5,617,773	2.3
Different state.....	21,585,297	9.4	Scottish.....	5,393,581	2.2
Abroad.....	5,108,710	2.2	Slovak.....	1,882,897	0.8
			Subsaharan African.....	506,188	0.2
			Swedish.....	4,680,863	1.9
			Swiss.....	1,045,495	0.4
			Ukrainian.....	740,803	0.3
			United States or American.....	13,052,277	5.2
			Welsh.....	2,033,893	0.8
			West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin groups).....	1,155,490	0.5

- Represents zero or rounds to zero. (X) Not applicable.